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LOCK ASSEMBLY FOR SLIDING DOOR/WINDOW PANELS

the specification of which

(Title of the Invention)

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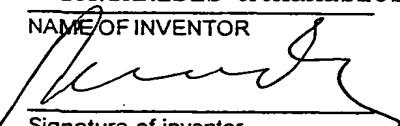
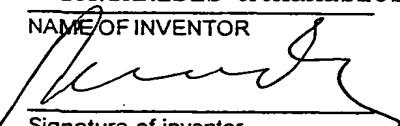
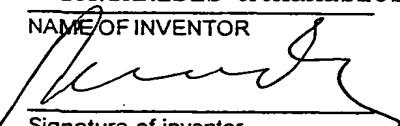
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